



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5672***

LCO No. 2186

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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:  
(PD)

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MUNICIPAL LAND USE GRANT PROGRAM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2008*) (a) As used in this section,  
2       "undeveloped land" means all categories of land, except land identified  
3       as undeveloped land by the Center for Land Use Education and  
4       Research at the University of Connecticut and "secretary" means the  
5       Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management.
- 6       (b) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall  
7       administer a municipal land use grant program in accordance with the  
8       provisions of this section. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008,  
9       and each fiscal year thereafter, the secretary shall award either a  
10      development grant or a preservation grant to each municipality. Each  
11      municipality shall submit an application for such grant on or before  
12      November 1, 2008, and annually on November first thereafter. Funds  
13      paid to a municipality under this section may be used for any purpose.  
14      The secretary shall calculate the amount due each municipality in  
15      accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of this section.

16 (c) (1) The amount of each development grant to a municipality  
 17 applying for such grant shall be equal to five per cent of the revenue  
 18 received by the state for the previous calendar year from sales in such  
 19 municipality within the meaning of subparagraph (E) of subdivision  
 20 (2) of subsection (a) of section 12-407 of the general statutes. On or  
 21 before October 1, 2008, and annually thereafter, the Commissioner of  
 22 Revenue Services shall submit a report to the Secretary of the Office of  
 23 Policy and Management that states for each municipality the amount  
 24 of revenues received from sales in such municipality for the previous  
 25 calendar year beginning July first.

26 (2) The amount of each preservation grant to a municipality  
 27 applying for such grant shall be determined by dividing the amount of  
 28 all potential grants to all municipalities in the state under subsection  
 29 (b) of this section by the number of acres of undeveloped land in the  
 30 state and then multiplying the quotient by the amount of undeveloped  
 31 land in the municipality.

32 (d) The secretary shall adopt regulations in accordance with the  
 33 provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes to implement the  
 34 provisions of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To establish an annual municipal grant program to provide funds to towns for development or for preservation.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*